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RULES REGARDING THE ACCEPTANCE OF VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS OF MONEY TO THE AGENCY

Resolution adopted on 21 September 2001 during the ninth plenary meeting

The General Conference,

(a) Bearing in mind the provisions of Articles V.E.8 and XIV.F and G of the Statute, and

(b) <u>Having considered</u> document GC(45)/9, containing a recommendation by the Board of Governors concerning the Rules Regarding the Acceptance of Voluntary Contributions of Money to the Agency,¹

<u>Approves</u> the Rules Regarding the Acceptance of Voluntary Contributions of Money to the Agency recommended by the Board of Governors as set forth in the Annex to this resolution.

The Rules Regarding the Acceptance of Voluntary Contributions of Money to the Agency were approved by the General Conference on 29 September 1989 (GC(XXXIII)/RES/520) and are contained in Part II of document INFCIRC/370.

Rules Regarding the Acceptance of Voluntary Contributions of Money to the Agency

- 1. Voluntary contributions of money may be offered to the Agency by governments of Member States of the Agency, of the United Nations or of any of the specialized agencies; organizations with which the Agency is in relationship under Article XVI. A of its Statute; other intergovernmental organizations; and non-governmental sources.
- 2. The Director General may accept and place in the General Fund such voluntary contributions of money provided that they are offered without limitation as to use.
- 3. The Director General may also accept other voluntary contributions of money provided that in his opinion :
 - (a) such contribution can readily be incorporated into a project, programme, or activity which the Director General has already been given authority to execute by the competent organ or organs of the Agency;
 - (b) acceptance of such contributions will not involve the Agency in expenditure for which funds are not available:
 - (c) any requirements as to use would not hamper the efficient implementation of the project, programme or activity for which the contribution is made; and
 - (d) any requirements as to use are consistent with the provisions of the Statute.
- 4. Offers of voluntary contributions of money to the Agency made under Rule 1, which are not accepted under Rules 2 and 3, shall be referred by the Director General to the Board of Governors for decision, bearing in mind the provisions of the Statute and the interests of the Agency.
- 5. Offers of voluntary contributions of money accepted by the Director General under Rules 2 and 3 shall be periodically reported to the Board.
- 6. Contributions shall be made in currency readily usable by the Agency consistent with the need for efficiency and economy of its operations, or shall be transferable to the greatest possible extent into currency readily usable by the Agency. To this end, governments shall be urged to make available as large a percentage as possible of their contributions in such currency or currencies as the Director General may consider usable for the execution of the Agency's programme. The Director General shall, as the Board of Governors may request, report to the Board for its consideration on the extent to which restrictions which have been maintained in contributions have affected the flexibility, efficiency and economy of the Agency's operations. The Board of Governors shall consider what action may be necessary, with respect to currency found not readily usable, in order to facilitate the Agency's operations.